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E.O. 12356:N/A  
TAGS: EAGR, EINV, RW  
SUBJECT: BILLING DISPUTE OVER GREEN LEAF TEA RESOLVED

REF: KIGALI 0367

1. ECONOFF RECEIVED A COPY OF A LETTER SENT TO THE U.S. OWNED TEA COMPANY, SORWATHE, BY THE DIRECTOR OF ASSOPTH (THE ASSOCIATION OF RWANDAN TEA GROWERS). IN THE LETTER, THE DIRECTOR STATES THAT SORWATHE NO LONGER OWES ASSOPTH FOR THE DIFFERENCE OF 4.5 FRANCS PER KILO OF GREEN LEAF IN DISPUTE FROM 1987-1992.

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2. ACCORDING TO SORWATHE'S GENERAL MANAGER, NORMAN RIDPATH, A COPY OF THE AMBASSADOR'S LETTER TO MINISTER OF COMMERCE MUGENZI WAS FORWARDED TO THE DIRECTOR OF ASSOPTH WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM.  
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